

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

In re Application of  
Mitsuaki Maeda

App. No.:10/519,257

Filed: December 20, 2004

Conf. No.: 1975

Title: THEFT PREVENTION METHOD  
AND DEVICE FOR VEHICLE

Examiner: Benjamin C. Lee

Art Unit: 2612

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

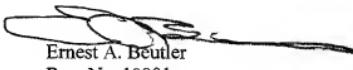
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSIVE LETTER**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action, dated March 17, 2008, requesting applicant to elect one of the three Groups specified in this action, for further prosecution. First applicant's attorney apologizes for not being able to return timely the Examiner's phone call regarding this matter. In any event, applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the claims of Group II, for further prosecution. An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted:



Ernest A. Beutler  
Reg. No. 19901

Phone (949) 721-1182

Pacific Time